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RENEWABLE ENERGY FAIR
SET FOR AUGUST 1 & 2 IN TWIN FALLS

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Magic Valley residents who want to see or learn more about a variety of renewable energy issues such as solar electric and wind power systems will have a unique chance August 1 and 2 at the Twin Falls Renewable Energy Fair on the College of Southern Idaho campus, the Idaho Energy Division announced today.

People who make, sell and install renewable energy products and services will have products on hand to look at, ask questions about and purchase. On Friday August 1 Fair officials have scheduled a series of free classes that highlight a wide range of renewable energy topics including hands-on solar system installation, anaerobic digestion, geothermal heat systems, small and large-scale wind power systems and energy efficiency issues.

The two-day fair is free to the public will be held in and around the Evergreen Building on the College of Southern Idaho campus. The fair is open 10-6:30 on August 1 (Friday) and 10-4:30 on August 2 (Saturday). The Fair will be officially opened in special ceremonies set for 9:30 a.m. on August 1.

“The fair is a wonderful chance for folks to see these systems first hand and to ask questions about things like biofuels, solar electric and wind systems. If you’ve every wondered if a renewable energy system is right for you, this is the time to find out,” said Gerry Galinato, of the Idaho Energy Division.

Idaho Energy Division loan specialists will also be on hand Friday and Saturday to assist people interested in 4 percent loans to pay for renewable energy projects.

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Up to 100 diesel vehicle owners will also get the chance to try 5 gallons of free B20 biodiesel fuel being provided by BriCo of Idaho.

BriCo is the B20 Magic Valley biofuels supplier in the Magic Valley, working in a partnership with the Idaho Energy Division. A Trans IV bus, which runs on B20 biodiesel, will be on display at the Fair. Trans IV operates more than 30 of its vehicles on B20 as part of the B20 Magic Valley program.

The Idaho Mustard Bug, a VW Beetle that runs on 100 percent Idaho-grown mustard seed oil will be on display. The Magic Valley Honda and Toyota dealers will also display hybrid vehicle sedans that combine gasoline and electric power to get up to 50 miles to the gallon.

The Idaho Energy Division, CSI, the U.S. Department of Energy and BriCo of Idaho are sponsoring the Renewable Energy Fair.